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1. Resolved, That the holding of a human being, - one formed after the image and likeness of God - as property, is a crime against man and a wickedness in the sight of heaven of the most flagrant and impious description, - to commit which, or to consent to which, or to compromise with which, is to make ourselves partners in the crime and directly responsible for its consequences. Therefore,
2. Resolved, That Slavery is, in all circumstances, a Sin, - a sin against God, the Creator and Father and only rightful Lord & Sovereign, and against Man his Creature and Child, - a sin which we are bound, at once and forever, wholly to forsake, to labour against, and to rebuke with all patience, perseverance, & fidelity; and that it is the duty of every man never to grow weary in this just, righteous, and eminently Christian work, while a single slave remains in his chains.
3. Resolved, That American Slavery, which John Wesley declared in his day to be "the vilest that ever saw the sun," has lost none of its horrible characteristics since that time; but, on the contrary, has developed new & intenser forms of malignity, and tyrannical purpose to perpetuate its cruel and destructive reign.
4. Resolved, That no form of Atheism and daring defiance of the authority of God can be found on the face of the earth, to compare with Slavery as it exists, is defended, and justified, in these United States.
5. Resolved, That he who holds a human being in slavery is, therefore, a criminal of the worst kind - a Usurper of God's ^{prerogative,} ~~rights~~, a Robber of Man's rights, a Man-stealer; and, whether he has himself stolen his victim, or is the receiver of that which was stolen by others, does not in the least alter the character of his act or the degree of his guilt; and that he who ~~ex~~ justifies, defends, and apologises for Slavery, and for the slaveholder, is in the same condemnation, in the sight of reason and justice, human and divine.